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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS: APPLICATION FOR HONG KONG ACUPUNCTURE
STUDY GRANT

1. THE CONGEN HAS FORWARDED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE DIVISION OF RESEARCH GRANTS OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH THE GRANT APPLICATION OF DR. H. L. WEN OF SARDA (SOCIETY FOR THE AID AND REHABILITATION OF DRUG ADDICTS) FOR A HONG KONG STUDY TO COVER TREATMENT OF DRUG ADDICTION WITHDRAWAL WITH ACUPUNCTURE. THIS IS THE SECOND APPLICATION FROM SARDA FOR THIS GRANT. THE FIRST APPLICATION SUBMITTED LAST YEAR WAS REVIEWED BY DR. MENDELSON OF HARVARD AND THEN RETURNED TO SARDA FOR REVISION. CONSEQUENTLY, THE PRESENT APPLICATION FORM DOES NOT PROVIDE ENTRIES IN THE BLANKS GIVEN FOR THE DATES OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT. DR. CHEN OF SARDA TELLS US THAT THEY ARE AFRAID THE APPLICATION WILL BE TOO LATE TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR, BUT THEY ARE LEAVING THE DATES BLANK IN THE HOPE THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE.

2. THE ACUPUNCTURE STUDY WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN HONG KONG HOSPITALS AT A TOTAL COST OF US DOLLARS \$103,866. IT WOULD INVOLVE STUDY OVER A 12-MONTH PERIOD OF FOUR GROUPS OF VOLUNTARY PATIENTS NUMBERING 72 IN ALL. ONE GROUP WILL RECEIVE ACUPUNCTURE WITH ELECTRICAL STIMULATION. A SECOND GROUP WILL BE GIVEN ACUPUNCTURE NEEDLING WITHOUT ELECTRICAL STIMULATION. THE THIRD GROUP WILL BE GIVEN A PLACEBO FOLLOWING METHADONE DETOXIFICATION. THE FINAL GROUP WILL

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RECEIVE STANDARD METHADONE TREATMENT.

3. BECAUSE OF THE LONG TIME THAT IS EXPECTED TO ELAPSE
BEFORE NIH COMMUNICATES ITS FORMAL APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL
OF THE GRANT APPLICATION, SARDA HAS ASKED THAT PRELIMINARY
NOTIFICATION BE SENT BY TELEGRAM AND THROUGH THE CONGEN.
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